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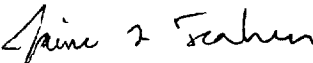
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To Whom It May Concern:

In reference to docket nos. 98N-1230, 96P-0418, and 97P-0197.

The most effective and direct way to reduce salmonella in eggs would be to eliminate the practice of forced molting. Forced molting is a horrible process that is nothing less than cruelty to animals. Studies have shown that forced molting increases the frequency and severity of *Salmonella enteritidis* among hens. Put a ban on this process and you will reduce the number of cases of salmonella.

Sincerely,


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